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Revenue Department.
Abstract.

Grow More Food--Accelerated and Ceded Districts Modified Schemes--Progress report for October 1948--Reviewed.

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Res.Rt.No.8237.

Station:Chepauk, Madras. Dated 14th December 1948.

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Read the following:-- Reports from the Collectors.

Resolution:

The Board submits to the Government its review on the working of the Accelerated and Ceded Districts Modified schemes during October 1948.

2. The returns were due to the Board from the Collectors on 10.11.48. Only the reports from the Collectors of of Ramnad, Tirunelveli, Coimbatore, Mathurai, Chittoor, North Arcot, Cuddapah and EastGodavari were received in time. In spite of three telegraphic reminders, the Collector of Anantapur has not submitted his report in respect of the Accelerated Scheme either either for September 1948 or October 1948. For the purpose of this review, the figures for August 1948 have been adopted. As the Scheme is in its closing stages the adopting of the figure for August 1948 may not make much difference. The Collector is requested to obtain the explanation of the persons responsible for the failure to submit the reports for two consecutive months and deal with them suitably. The delay in the submission of the reports from other Collectors ranged from 2 to 15 days. The Collectors are requested to be punctual in the submission of the reports as the schemes are in their closing stages and special steps will have to be taken to wind them up soon.

3. The following table will show at a glance the progress made in the working of the two schemes during and upto the month of October 1948.

| Name of the Scheme. | Number of wells subsidised. | | No. of wells completed upto October, 1948. | | No. of wells in progress. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | New wells. | Old Wells. | New Wells. | Old Wells. | New wells. | Old wells. |
| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) |
| Accelerated Scheme. | 61,609 | 30,721 | 44,951 | 29,102 | 9,458 | 1,393 |
| Ceded District Modified Scheme. | 1,959 | 531 | 468 | 278 | 1,110 | 20 |

| | No. of wells not yet started; recovery ordered and write off sanctioned. | | Additional area brought under irrigation (Acres). | | Addtional quantity of food grains produced.(Tons). | |
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| | New wells. (8) | Old wells (9) | New wells (10) | Old wells (11) | New wells (12) | Old wells (13) |
| Accelerated Scheme. | 7,200 | 3,566 | 61,207.34 | 28,799.99 | 28706.77 | 12970.04 |
| Ceded Dist., Modified Scheme. | 381 | 233 | 882.60 | 452.00 | 406.22 | 222.50 |

Note: Difference in the number of wells, new and old, subsidised under the Ceded Districts Modified Scheme between the last month's report and the present is due to the revised figures furnished by the Collector of Bellary. He states that the figures adopted for the month of October are correct.

The number of new wells still in progress is very large in Chingleput, Chittoor, Salem and North Arcot districts and large in Bellary. Number of old well works, the repairs to which are in progress, is large in Nellore and Chittoor districts.

The special wells staff in these districts should see to it that the works are completed in the current season without fail.

The progress made in the case of wells under the Ceded Districts Modified Scheme is very disappointing in all the four Ceded Districts. The special staff working in these districts should devote particular attention to the matter.

Though Government have since ordered that no further grant of time beyond 30.6.48 can be granted, the Board is addressing the Government once again to extend time till 30.3.49. The chances of Government passing favourable orders will be brighter if the special staff shows substantial progress in the coming weeks.

4. The Board regrets to point out that even at the closing stages of the schemes, some reports have not been prepared carefully. The Collector of Bellary furnishes revised figures in every report and states that they are the revised and correct ones. If the total amount of subsidy reported to have been paid is based on the Treasury figures, there should be no reason for any alteration either in the number of wells or in the amount of subsidy paid. The Board presumes that the details now furnished are the final figures based on the treasury figures. Any variations between the treasury and the administrative figures should be tallied without further loss of time.

5. The Collectors have more than once been told that the figures furnished in column 2 of the statement should be equal to the sum total of the figures shown in columns 4(c), 5,6,7 and 8 of the statement. But the reports from the Collectors of South Arcot, Cuddapah and East Godavari do not satisfy this test. The total of the figures shown in those columns exceeds the total number of wells subsidised (i.e.the

figure in column 2). This is apparently due to the fact that the figures which should have been shown only in one of the columns 5, 6, 7 or 8 have been included in more than one column. In respect of the reports from Cuddapah and South Arcot the totals of columns 4(c) (number of wells completed) and 8 (number of wells in which revovery has been ordered etc.) alone exceed the total number of wells subsidised, i.e., column 2. This is a palpable error, and is probably due to the fact that some wells in which recovery was previously ordered and which were completed subsequently have also been included in the number of wells completed as well as in the number of wells in which recovery was ordered. If the work in a well, in which recovery was ordered is subsequently completed and orders of recovery revoked, it should no longer be shown in column 8.

The attention of the Collectors of all districts except Madras and the Nilgiris is invited to G.O.Ms. No.2736, Revenue dated 17.11.48 wherein the Government have ordered the recovery of the subsidy granted in respect of wells which had not been completed by 30.6.48. Collectors are requested to take steps for the recovery of the subsidies. The recovery should be completed in this month and in the next few months, when the ryots will have ready cash with them, this being the kist season.

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for Joint Secretary.

To

The Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras
with statments.

The Collectors of all districts except Madras and the Nilgiris.

Copy to the Director of Agriculture, Madras.

Copy to the Secretary to C.D.E.D. Board, Madras, with extracts of statenents for the districts of Chitoor, Cuddapah, Kurnool, Bellary and Anantapur.

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ABSTRACT.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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